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members further comprising at least two relatively movable telescoping members;

(b) elongate flexible telescoping brace members, each of said brace members further comprising at least two relatively movable telescoping members for connecting to and spacing said pair of hollow tubular mounting rods and thereby maintaining a banner carried therebetween in tension, said brace members being designed to form an X pattern;

(c) a releasable locking device associated with the telescoping members of each said mounting members and said brace members to lock the respective member at a desired length; and

(d) a central member adapted to retain said telescoping brace members which form therewith an X-brace system.

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11(Amended). A readily assembled multi-unit, knock-down, self-supporting snap-fit display stand for displaying a variety of display device including banners comprising a plurality of display units assembled consecutively, each said unit comprising:

(a) an opposed pair of mounting members upper and lower mounting members for carrying opposite ends of a display banner, each tube having an end hub;

(b) elongate flexible brace members for connecting to a corresponding opposed pair of mounting members in each quadrilateral thereby maintaining the banner carried

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therebetween in tension, said brace members designed to form an X pattern;

(c) a releasable locking device associated with the telescoping members of each said mounting members and said brace members to lock the respective member at a desired length;

(d) integral locking recesses in said hubs for locking said structures together; and

(e) snap fitting connector for removably connecting said ends together to form systems of a plurality of consecutive display units.

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15 (Amended). A readily assembled and disassembled knock-down, self-supporting display unit for carrying a variety of display devices including banners comprising:

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(a) a pair of mounting members for carrying opposite ends of a display banner;

(b) a central hub member having a plurality of elongated diverging recesses each for receiving an end of one of a plurality strut members which form therewith an X-brace system and a central recess in said central hub member for receiving a snap-in connector; and

(c) pairs of elongate flexible brace members having ends adapted to be received in said central hub member and free ends for connecting to and spacing said mounting

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members and thereby maintaining a banner carried
therebetween in tension.

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Add new claims 29-41 as follows:

29 (New). A method as in claim 28 wherein said mounting devices have a plurality of receptors for mounting a plurality of display units in juxtaposed relation.

30 (New). A method as in claim 28 wherein said fixed member is a wall.

31 (New). A method as in claim 29 wherein said fixed member is a wall.

32 (New). A method as in claim 28 wherein said snap-fit connectors are selected from fixed and hinged connectors.

33 (New). A method as in claim 29 wherein said snap-fit connectors are selected from fixed and hinged connectors.

34 (New). A method as in claim 30 wherein said snap-fit connectors are selected from fixed and hinged connectors.

35 (New). A method as in claim 31 wherein said snap-fit connectors are selected from fixed and hinged connectors.

36 (New). A display unit fastened to a fixed member selected from the group including floors, walls and ceilings, comprising:

(a) at least one display unit system comprising a frame to accommodate and display a variety of display devices including banners wherein said frame is further provided with one or more receptors for receiving a snap-fit

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connector for mounting said display unit to a fixed member;

(b) one or more mounting devices fixed to said fixed member, said mounting device including one or more receptors for receiving a snap-fit connector; and

(c) one or more snap-fit connectors for connecting said display unit into said mounting device.

37(New). A display unit system as in claim 36 wherein said snap-fit connectors are selected from straight and hinged connectors.

38(New). A display unit system as in claim 36 including a plurality of said mounting devices for carrying a display unit.

39(New). A display unit system as in claim 38 wherein said snap-fit connectors are selected from hinged and straight connectors.

40(New). A display unit system as in claim 36 wherein said fixed member is a wall.

41(New). A display unit system as in claim 36 including a plurality of such units comprising a larger display.

Cancel withdrawn claims 5-10, 12-14, 16-19, 23-25 and 27, without prejudice, applicant retaining the right to seek one or more of such claims in one or more divisional applications.

REMARKS

In accordance with the above amendments, claims 1, 11 and 15